

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 18 as follows:

Parts, to be connected with one another by means of a screw connection, ~~in accordance with the preamble of claims 1 and 3~~ are described in JP 8-14226 A. In accordance with this known configuration, the screw connecting parts are formed by means of a cylindrical shaft having a threaded bore at an end face and a threaded pin having an external thread, the shaft having a radially outwardly open slot which extends over a part of the length of the threaded bore. The threaded pin is flattened to a transverse dimension corresponding to the width of the slot by means of two taperings arranged opposing one another. It is thus possible to insert the threaded pin in the region of the slot, transversely through the slot into the threaded bore. By means of a further screwing in, the forward end of the flattened threaded pin comes into threaded engagement with the more deeply lying threaded bore and the forward round region in the foot region of the threaded pin with the forward slotted section of the threaded bore. With this known configuration there is needed on both parts of the connection a particular shaping (slot, tapering) which requires not only additional mechanical outlay but determines also a reduced threaded engagement. Further, the two parts can only be put together in a particular positioning with respect one to the other, namely in a positioning in which the tapered section of the threaded pin fits into the slot. For this there is required particular attentiveness and manipulation by the operating person, in order to ensure that this particular position of the parts relative to one another is attained.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 1 as follows:

~~The object of the invention is to so configure~~ In accordance with one aspect of the invention the parts of a screw connection of the kind under consideration are so configured that

the two parts can be brought into threaded engagement with one another with a small manipulative effort.